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For: ANTICOAGULANT AGENTS USEFUL IN TREATMENT OF THROMBOSIS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to substantive examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the specification:

Please insert the following before the first sentence on page 1:

"This application is a divisional of Application Serial No. 09/344,050, filed 25 June 1999, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 08/783,853, filed 16 January 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,005,091, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/010,108, filed 17 January 1996, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/029,119, filed 24 October 1996."

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 3-5, 8, 9, and 11-38, without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for inhibiting thrombosis in an animal comprising administering an effective dose of an anti-coagulation factor IX/IXa monoclonal antibody.